



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5354

LCO No. 1451



Referred to Committee on VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Introduced by:
(VA)

***AN ACT CONCERNING SERVICE BONUSES FOR CERTAIN
MEMBERS OF THE CONNECTICUT NATIONAL GUARD.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 27-61a of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
3 *1, 2016*):

4 (b) (1) On and after July 1, 2005, the Adjutant General shall pay each
5 eligible member or veteran the amount of fifty dollars for each month
6 or major part thereof of active service by such eligible member or
7 veteran on or after September 11, 2001.

8 [On and before June 30] (2) (A) Prior to July 1, 2007, the maximum
9 payment to any eligible member or veteran shall not exceed five
10 hundred dollars.

11 [(2)] (B) On and after July 1, 2007, and prior to July 1, 2016, the
12 maximum payment to any eligible member or veteran under this
13 subsection shall not exceed five hundred dollars, except that such

14 maximum payment shall not exceed one thousand two hundred
15 dollars if, during such active service, such eligible member or veteran
16 is or was deployed to an area designated as a combat zone by the
17 President of the United States.

18 (C) On and after July 1, 2016, the maximum payment to any eligible
19 member or veteran under this subsection shall not exceed five hundred
20 dollars, except that such maximum payment shall not exceed one
21 thousand eight hundred dollars if, during such active service, such
22 eligible member or veteran is or was deployed to an area designated as
23 a combat zone by the President of the United States.

24 (3) No payment shall be made under this subsection to any eligible
25 member or veteran who makes application for such payment later than
26 three years after the date of the cessation of such operations in which
27 such member or veteran served.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2016	27-61a(b)

Statement of Purpose:

To increase the maximum payment available to Connecticut National Guard members who serve or served in a combat zone.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]